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AT the Court at *St. James's*, the 28th Day of *February*, 1754.

PRESENT,

The King's moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

HIS Majeſty having taken into his Royal and Serious Conſideration, the preſent Growth of Irreligion, Profaneneſs, and Immorality; and alſo the great Increaſe of Robberies and Murders, particularly Murders by Poiſoning, Perjuries, Forgeries, &c.—And being determined, from a juſt Abhorrence of ſuch atrocious Crimes, which tend to the Diſhonour of Religion, and the Subverſion of all Order and Government, not only to diſcourage, but, as far as in Him lies, to put a Stop thereto for the Future, did therefore direct the Judges, who are going their Circuits for the approaching Aſſizes, to attend his Majeſty this Day in Council; When the Lord Chancellor, by his Majeſty's Command, ſignified to the ſaid Judges, his Majeſty's great Concern at the preſent Increaſe of the Crimes abovementioned, and gave them in Charge from his Majeſty, to be, at this Time, in a particular Manner vigilant and active, in puniſhing all Perſons guilty of ſuch Offences, together with ſeveral other Articles relative to this important Subject: And the Judges were alſo directed to Exhort and Admoniſh the Gentlemen in the Commiſſion of the Peace, to do their Duty, by acting as Juſtices of the Peace, for the Support of his Majeſty's Government, and the Good of the Country.

AT the Court at *St. James's*, the 1ſt Day of *March*, 1754.

PRESENT,

The King's moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

WHereas by an Act paſſed the laſt Seſſion of Parliament, which is to commence and take Effect from and after this 1ſt Day of March 1754, entituled — "*An Act to oblige* "*Ships more effectually to perform their Quarantine, and for the better preventing the* "*Plague being brought from Foreign Parts into* "*Great Britain or Ireland, or the Iſles of* "*Guernſey, Jerſey, Alderney, Sark or Man*"— It is enacted, That all Ships and Veſſels arriving, and all Perſons, Goods and Merchandizes whatſoever, coming or imported into any Port or Place within Great Britain or Ireland, or any of the Iſles aforementioned, from any Place from whence his Majeſty, his Heirs or Succeſſors, by and with the Advice of his or their Privy Council, ſhall judge it probable that the Infection may be brought, ſhall be obliged to make their Quarantine in ſuch Place and Places, for ſuch Time, and in ſuch Manner, as hath been, or ſhall from Time to Time be directed by his Majeſty, his Heirs or Succeſſors, by his or their Order or Orders made in his or their Privy Council, and notified by Proclamation, or publiſhed in the London Gazette — And that until ſuch Ships, Veſſels, Perſons, Goods and Merchandizes, ſhall have reſpectively performed and be diſcharged from ſuch Quarantine, no ſuch Perſon, Goods or Merchandizes, or any of them, ſhall come or be brought on Shore, or go or be put on Board any other Ship or Veſſel in any Place within his Majeſty's Dominions, unleſs in ſuch Manner, and in ſuch Caſes, and by ſuch Licence as ſhall be directed or permitted by ſuch Order or Orders made by his Majeſty, his Heirs or Succeſſors, in Council as aforeſaid; and that all ſuch Ships and Veſſels, and the Perſons or Goods coming or imported in, or going, or being put on Board the ſame, and all Ships, Veſſels, Boats and Perſons, receiving any Goods or Perſons out of the ſame, ſhall be ſubject to ſuch Orders, Rules and Directions, concerning Quarantine, and the Prevention of Infection, as have been, or ſhall be made by his Majeſty, his Heirs and Succeſſors in Council, and notified by Proclamation, or publiſhed in the London Gazette as aforementioned, under ſuch Pains and Penalties, as are inflicted by the ſaid Act—And to the End that all Perſons may know how to demean themſelves herein, it is further required by the ſaid Act, That when and as often as his Majeſty, his Heirs or Succeſſors, ſhall make any Order or Orders concerning Quarantine, and the Prevention of Infection, and notify the ſame by Proclamation, or cauſe the ſame to be publiſhed in the London Gazette as aforeſaid, ſuch Proclamation, or Order or Orders in Council, ſhall be publickly

" lickly read upon the next Sunday on which " Divine Service ſhall be performed after the " Receipt of the ſame, and the firſt Sunday " in every Month afterwards during the Time " ſuch Orders ſhall continue in Force, imme- " diately after the Prayers in all Pariſh Churches, " and other Places ſet apart for Divine Worſhip, " within ſuch Counties and Places as ſhall be " ſpecified for that Purpoſe in ſuch Proclama- " tion or Orders reſpectively"—And whereas ſeveral Orders have of late been made by his Majeſty at this Board, (upon Information that the Plague raged in the Levant, and alſo in ſeveral of the Kingdoms in Africa) to require all Ships and Veſſels coming from any of the Ports in thoſe Places to perform their Quarantine according to the Rules and Directions contained in the ſaid Orders—And his Majeſty judging it neceſſary that the ſaid Quarantine ſhould at this Time be continued, is hereby pleaſed, with the Advice of his Privy Council, to order, that the ſame be accordingly continued; and that the Rules and Regulations herein after inſerted, be obſerved in Lieu of thoſe contained in the ſaid former Orders, viz.

That all Ships, Veſſels, Perſons, Goods and Merchandizes now arrived, or that ſhall hereafter arrive in any Port of this Kingdom, or of the Iſles of Jerſey, Guernſey, Alderney, Sark or Man, from the Levant, the Extent whereof is to be underſtood (as on like Occaſions) to reach Eaſtward from the Iſle of Corfu on the Borders of Greece in the Ionian Seas, and from Cape Rufata on the Coaſt of Barca in Africa, do make their Quarantine for Twenty Days, which is to commence and be computed from the Day each Ship or Veſſel ſhall come to Anchor in the Place appointed for performing Quarantine, and not before, except only ſuch Ships and Veſſels as ſhall come directly from Smyrna into any of the Ports of this Kingdom, or of the Iſles of Jerſey, Guernſey, Alderney, Sark or Man, which are to be permitted to diſcharge their reſpective Ladings without opening, unpacking and airing, and without performing any Quarantine, under the following Conditions, viz.

That they ſhall bring with them clean Bills of Health, atteſted by the Conſul there, or other proper Officer; and the Maſter, or other Perſon taking Charge of ſuch Ship or Veſſel, ſhall firſt make Oath, before the Cuſtom-houſe Officer, or chief Magiſtrate, on their Arrival at the Place where they are bound to, that they did not touch at any infected Place, nor had Communication with any infected Ship during the Voyage, and are free from all Infection.

That all Ships, Veſſels, Perſons, Goods and Merchandizes now arrived, or that ſhall hereafter arrive in any Port of this Kingdom, or of the Iſles of Jerſey, Guernſey, Alderney, Sark or Man, from S^te^ Cruz, or any other Port in Weſt Barbary on the Atlantick Ocean, or from any of the Ports in the Streights of Gibraltar on the Barbary Coaſt or any other of the Ports on that Coaſt in the Mediterranean, lying between the ſaid Streights and Cape Ruſata in the Kingdom of Barca, do make their Quarantine for Forty Days, which is to commence and be computed from the Day each Ship or Veſſel ſhall come to Anchor, in the Place appointed for performing ſuch Quarantine, and not before.

That if the Plague ſhall appear on Board any Ship being to the Northward of Cape Finiſterre, the Maſter, Commander, or other Perſon having Charge thereof, ſhall immediately proceed to the Harbour of New Grimsby in the Iſlands of Scilly, where being arrived, he ſhall make known his Caſe to ſome Officer of the Cuſtoms there, who ſhall immediately acquaint ſome Cuſtom-houſe Officer of ſome near Port of England thereof; and the ſaid Cuſtom houſe Officer ſhall, with all poſſible Speed, ſend Intelligence thereof to one of his Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State, that ſuch Meaſures may be taken for the Comfort and Support of the Crew of ſuch Ship ſo infected, and ſuch Precautions uſed to prevent the Spreading of the Infection, as the Caſe ſhall require; and the ſaid Ship ſhall remain at the ſaid Iſlands of Scilly 'till his Majeſty's Pleaſure be known; nor ſhall any of the Crew go on Shore: But in Caſe the ſaid Maſter, Commander, or other Perſon having Charge of the ſaid Ship ſo infected, ſhall not be able to make the Iſlands of Scilly, or ſhall be forced by Streſs of Weather, or otherwiſe, to go up either of the Channels, he ſhall not preſume to enter with ſuch Ship into any Port, but ſhall remain in ſome open Road, 'till he receives Orders from his Majeſty, or his Privy Council, and ſhall take Care to prevent any of his Ship's Company from going out of his Ship, and to avoid all Intercourſe with other Ships and Perſons.

That the Place for performing Quarantine by ſuch Ships and Veſſels (not having the Infection on Board) as are bound to the Rivers of Thames and Medway, be Standgate Creek, and by ſuch as are bound to any other of the Ports of Great Britain, be ſuch Places as ſhall be appointed by the Officers of his Majeſty's Cuſtoms in the ſaid Ports, who are hereby empowered and required to appoint proper Places for the ſame—And that the Places for performing Quarantine within any Port of the ſaid Iſles of Jerſey, Guernſey, Alderney, Sark or Man, be ſuch Places as ſhall be appointed by the reſpective Governors, or Deputy Governors of the ſaid reſpective Iſles, who are hereby empowered and required to appoint proper Places for the ſame.

And to the End that it may be better known, whether any Ship or Veſſel be actually infected with the Plague, or whether ſuch Ship or Veſſel, or the Mariners or Cargo coming or imported in the ſame, are liable to any Orders touching Quarantine—That as often as any Ship or Veſſel ſhall attempt to enter into any Port or Place in Great Britain, or the Iſles of Guernſey, Jerſey, Alderney, Sark or Man, the principal Officers of his Majeſty's Cuſtoms in ſuch Port or Place, or ſuch Perſon as ſhall be authorized to ſee Quarantine duly performed, ſhall go off, or cauſe ſome other Perſon to be by him appointed for that Purpoſe, to go off to ſuch Ship or Veſſel; and ſuch Officer, or other Perſon authorized to ſee Quarantine performed as aforeſaid, or the Perſon ſo by him appointed for that Purpoſe, ſhall, at a convenient Diſtance from

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ſuch Ship or Veſſel, demand of the Commander, Maſter, or other Perſon having Charge of ſuch Ship or Veſſel, and ſuch Commander, Maſter, or other Perſon having Charge of ſuch Ship or Veſſel, ſhall, upon ſuch Demand, give a true Account of the following Particulars; that is to ſay, The Name of ſuch Ship or Veſſel; The Name of the Commander or Perſon having Charge thereof; At what Place or Places the Cargo was taken on Board; What Place or Places the Ship or Veſſel touched at in her Voyage; Whether ſuch Places, or any, and which of them, were infected with the Plague; How long ſuch Ship or Veſſel had been in her Paſſage; How many Perſons were on Board when the ſaid Ship or Veſſel ſet Sail; Whether any, and what Perſons, during that Voyage on Board ſuch Ship or Veſſel, had been or ſhall be then infected with the Plague; How many died in the Voyage, and of what Diſtemper; What Ships or Veſſels he, or any of his Ship's Company with his Privity, went on Board, or had any of their Company come on Board his Ship; And to what Place ſuch Ships or Veſſels belonged; And alſo, the true Contents of his Lading to the beſt of his Knowledge. And in Caſe it ſhall appear upon ſuch Examination, or otherwiſe, that any Perſon then on Board ſuch Ship or Veſſel, ſhall, at the Time of ſuch Examination, be actually infected with the Plague, or that ſuch Ship is obliged to perform Quarantine; in ſuch Caſe, it is declared by the aforementioned Act, That it ſhall and may be lawful to and for the Officers of any of his Majeſty's Ships of War, or any of his Majeſty's Forts or Garriſons, and all other his Majeſty's Officers whom it may concern, upon Notice thereof given to them, or any of them, reſpectively, and to and for any other Perſon or Perſons, whom they ſhall call to their Aid and Aſſiſtance, to oblige ſuch Ship or Veſſel to go and repair to the Place appointed for their Performance of Quarantine as aforeſaid, and to uſe all neceſſary Means for that Purpoſe, be it by Firing of Guns upon ſuch Ship or Veſſel, or any other Kind of Force or Violence whatſoever.

That until and during the Time for making ſuch Quarantine, no Perſon coming, or Goods imported, in any ſuch Ship or Veſſel, ſhall come on Shore, or be landed in any Place within Great Britain, or the Iſles of Guernſey, Jerſey, Alderney, Sark or Man, without Licence for that Purpoſe to be given by Order of his Majeſty in Council.

That no Pilots ſhall go on Board any Ship or Veſſel obliged to perform Quarantine, in order to conduct the ſame into any Port or Place, but ſhall perform ſuch Service in ſome other Boat or Veſſel; which Boat or Veſſel ſhall keep as much to the Windward of the Ship or Veſſel ſo to be conducted as poſſible; and if any Pilot or other Perſon ſhall go on Board ſuch Ship or Veſſel, ſuch Pilot or other Perſon ſhall perform Quarantine in like Manner as any Perſon coming in ſuch Ship or Veſſel ſhall be obliged to perform the ſame.

That all ſuch Species of Goods and Merchandizes as are more eſpecially liable to retain Infection, and may be brought from Places infected into other Countries, and from thence imported into his Majeſty's Dominions in Ships not obliged to perform Quarantine, be ſubject to the ſame Rules of Quarantine, as Goods imported in Ships or Veſſels from the Coaſt of Barbary are liable to by this Order.

That after Quarantine ſhall have been duly performed by any Ship or Veſſel, Perſon or Perſons, obliged to perform Quarantine purſuant to this Order, and upon Proof to be made by the Oaths of the Maſter, or other Perſon having Charge of ſuch Ship or Veſſel, and of two of the Perſons belonging to ſuch Ship or Veſſel, or upon Proof to be made by the Oaths of two or more credible Witneſſes before the Cuſtomer, Comptroller or Collector of the Ports where ſuch Quarantine ſhall be performed, or the next Port thereunto, or before any of their Deputies, or any Juſtice of the Peace living near ſuch Port, or where ſuch Quarantine ſhall have been performed, within any of the ſaid Iſles of Guernſey, Jerſey, Alderney, Sark or Man, before any two Jurates or Magiſtrates of any of the ſaid Iſles reſpectively, (which Perſons are by the aforementioned Act authorized and required to adminiſter ſuch Oath) that ſuch Ship or Veſſel, and all and every ſuch Perſon and Perſons reſpectively have duly performed Quarantine as aforeſaid; and that the Ship or Veſſel, and all and every ſuch Perſon and Perſons are free from Infection; and after producing a Certificate to that Purpoſe, ſigned by the Chief Officer who ſuperintended the Quarantine of the ſaid Ship; then, and in the ſaid reſpective Caſes, ſuch Cuſtomer, Comptroller, or Collector, or any of their Deputies, together with the ſaid Juſtice of the Peace, or ſuch Jurates or Magiſtrates as aforeſaid reſpectively, are hereby required to give a Certificate thereof; and thereupon ſuch Ship or Veſſel, and all and every ſuch Perſon and Perſons ſo having performed Quarantine, ſhall be liable to no further Reſtraint or Detention upon the ſame Account, for which ſuch Ship or Veſſel, Perſon or Perſons, ſhall have performed Quarantine as aforeſaid.

That all Goods, Wares, and Merchandizes, liable to Quarantine as aforeſaid, ſhall be opened, unpacked, and aired, unleſs his Majeſty ſhall think fit, by his Order in Council, to direct otherwiſe, and ſo remain a Week, other than Hemp and Flax, Paper or Books, Silk Raw, Thrown or Wrought, Linnen, Cotton Wool, Cotton Yarn or manufactured, Wool raw, or in any wiſe wrought, Feathers, Grograin or Mohair Yarn, Human Hair, Goats Hair, Carmenia Wool, Carpets, Camblets, Burdets, or other Manufactures of Silk and Cotton, Kid Skins and Skins in the Wool or Hair, Sponges, Wine and Oyl in Cheſts, Thread Stockings, all Goods packed with Straw or Cotton, Straw Hatts and Bruſhes, Matting and Artificial Flowers, which Goods and Merchandizes, ſo as aforeſaid enumerated, are to be opened, unpacked and aired, unleſs his Majeſty ſhall think fit, by his Order in Council, to direct otherwiſe, and ſo remain for the Space of a Fortnight; and after the ſame ſhall have been duly complied with, and a Cer-

a Certificate thereof given by the Chief Officer appointed to ſuperintend the Quarantine, and airing of ſuch Goods, Wares, and Merchandizes, and Proof ſhall be made thereof, by the Oaths of two or more credible Witneſſes, before the Cuſtomer, Comptroller or Collector of the Port lying next to ſuch Place or Places where ſuch Goods, Wares or Merchandizes ſhall have been opened, unpacked and aired as aforeſaid, or any of their Deputies, or any Juſtice of the Peace living near the ſame, or before any two Jurates or Magiſtrates of the ſaid Iſles of Guernſey, Jerſey, Alderney, Sark or Man reſpectively, (who are by the aforementioned Act authorized and required to adminiſter ſuch Oath) upon Certificate and Return of ſuch Proof by ſuch Cuſtomer, Comptroller or Collector, or any of their Deputies, or ſuch two Jurates or Magiſtrates as aforeſaid, (who are, by the aforementioned Act, reſpectively required to make ſuch Certificate and Return to the Commiſſioners appointed for the Management of the Cuſtoms of Great Britain, or to the Governor or Commander in Chief being upon the Place in the Iſles of Guernſey, Jerſey, Alderney, Sark or Man reſpectively,) ſuch Goods, Wares, and Merchandizes, ſhall be forthwith diſcharged from any Reſtraint or Detention upon the ſame Account, by Order of the ſaid Commiſſioners, or any two of them, or of the ſaid Governor or Commander in Chief of any of the ſaid Iſles reſpectively as aforeſaid.

That all Goods imported by ſuch Ships and Veſſels, as are bound for the Rivers of Thames and Medway, be aired on Board a floating Lazeret, which is to be appointed for that Service in Standgate Creek; and that the Places for airing Goods that ſhall be imported in Ships bound to any other Ports of Great Britain, be ſuch as ſhall be appointed by the Officers of his Majeſty's Cuſtoms: And that the Places for airing the Goods imported into any of the ſaid Iſles of Guernſey, Jerſey, Alderney, Sark or Man, be ſuch Places as ſhall be appointed by the Governors or Commanders in Chief of the ſaid reſpective Iſles upon the Spot, who are hereby empowered and required to appoint proper Places for the ſame.

That whatſoever Ship or Perſon ſhall receive any Men or Goods, from on Board any Ship or Veſſel under Quarantine, ſhall be compelled to perform the like Quarantine.

That ſuch Perſons as after Quarantine performed ſhall be employed in the Hold of any ſuch Ship or Veſſel, for the taking any Goods not liable to retain Infection, from the Goods and Merchandizes before enumerated, ſhall be obliged to perform a new Quarantine.

That the Captains of every of his Majeſty's Ships of War, who ſhall meet any ſuch Ship or Veſſel coming to any of the Ports of Great Britain or Ireland, or of the Iſles of Guernſey, Jerſey, Alderney, Sark or Man, ſhall take due Care to prevent the landing any Goods, Seamen, or Paſſengers, from on Board the ſame, until they ſhall be put under the Direction of the Officers of his Majeſty's Cuſtoms.

That the Commiſſioners and other Officers of his Majeſty's Cuſtoms do uſe their utmoſt Diligence and Care, that the Quarantine before directed be duly performed.

That the Commanders of his Majeſty's Ships of War, as likewiſe the Commanders of his Majeſty's Forts and Garriſons lying near the Sea Coaſts, and all the Juſtices of the Peace, Mayors, Sheriffs, Bailiffs, Chief Magiſtrates, Conſtables, Headboroughs, Tythingmen, and all other Officers and Miniſters of Juſtice, be aiding and aſſiſting to the ſaid Officers of his Majeſty's Cuſtoms, and to all others that ſhall be concerned, in ſtopping all ſuch Ships as aforeſaid, and in bringing them to the Places appointed for the Performance of their Quarantine, and in the due Performance thereof.

And the Lords Commiſſioners of his Majeſty's Treaſury, the Commiſſioners for executing the Office of Lord High Admiral of Great Britain, the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, the Lieutenant General, and the reſt of the principal Officers of the Ordnance, his Majeſty's Secretary at War, and the Governors or Commanders in Chief for the Time being of the ſaid reſpective Iſles of Jerſey, Guernſey, Alderney, Sark and Man, are to give the neceſſary Directions herein, as to them may reſpectively appertain.

W. Sharpe.

Stockholm, February 3. Their Majeſties, who have been for ſome Time paſt at Ulrichſdahl, are expected to return from thence To-morrow to their Palace in this City; ſoon after which 'tis thought the three Vacancies in the Senate will be filled up. 'Tis confidently reported, that the Affair of the Regulation of the Limits in Finland hath at Length taken a favourable Turn; and by the laſt Diſpatches received from our Commiſſaries at Abo, there is great Reaſon to hope that Affair will ſoon be brought to a happy Concluſion.

Rome, Feb. 7. The Pope has diſpoſed of the Archbiſhoprick of Bologne, in Favour of Cardinal Malvezzi. We are aſſured that Cardinal Monti, who died a few Days ago, has left his valuable Library of Books to the Univerſity of Bologne, beſides ſeveral Legacies to the Hoſpitals of that City. Cardinal Barni, Legate of Ferrara, is alſo dead, which makes a fourth Vacancy in the Sacred College. Cardinal Lanti, the Pope's Great Chamberlain, is diſmiſſed from that Employment, but no Perſon is as yet appointed to ſucceed him. The Courts of Vienna, Verſailles and Lisbon have been prevailed on by the Pope to uſe their good Offices for adjuſting the Differences that have lately happened between the King of the Two Sicilies and the Great Maſter of Malta. We are informed by our laſt Advices from the Marche of Ancona, that a Gang of twelve Smuglers have been apprehended there, who have for ſome Time paſt been ſuſpected of carrying on a contraband Trade. Laſt Week we received Advice, that ſeveral Barbary Corſairs

Corſairs were cruizing off Civita Vecchia, and that they had taken a Neapolitan Veſſel coming from the Iſland of Proſida; and 'tis ſince reported, that thoſe Pyrates have made a Deſcent in the Neighbourhood of Montalte, and carried off ſeveral Head of Cattle.

Genoa, Feb. 7. The Maſter of a Dutch Ship that arrived in this Port a few Days ago from the Coaſt of the Eccleſiaſtical State, informs us, that falling in with a Tripolitan Corſair off Porto Hercole, the Commander of the Corſair obliged him to produce his Paſs, which being approved, he was permitted to purſue his Voyage without farther Moleſtation. Advice has been received here from Tunis, that ſoon after the new Dey had taken upon himſelf the Government of that State, he ordered out two armed Chebecks, a Frigat of 30 Guns, and five new Pinks, on a Cruize in the Spaniſh and Sicilian Seas, againſt the Ships of ſuch Chriſtian Powers with whom he is not engaged by any particular Treaty; and as an Encouragement to the Commanders of thoſe Ships to take Prizes, he has promiſed them greater Advantages than have hitherto been enjoyed by former Cruizers: And moreover he engages, that the Senate ſhall pay 150 Sequins for every Knight of Malta, and 50 Sequins for every common Sailor who ſhall be found on board any Ship they ſhall take belonging to the Malteſe. 'Tis further ſaid, that the new Dey has revoked the Edict of his Predeceſſor, for baniſhing the Jews; and, in order to encourage them to return to Tunis, he has promiſed them greater Privileges, with Regard to Commerce, than they enjoyed at the Time of paſſing that Edict.

Vienna, Feb. 12. The Inhabitants of St. Remo, a Maritime Town, ſituate at a little Diſtance from Genoa, and acknowledged as an immediate Fief of the Empire, have preſented a Memorial to the Aulick Council, praying to be re-eſtabliſhed in their ancient Privileges, of which they alledge they have lately been deprived by Order of the Senate of Genoa. Advice having been received at Court, that a Contagious Diſtemper is broke out at Pera, in the Suburbs of Conſtantinople, Orders are ſent to all the Governors of our Provinces bordering upon Turky, to take all neceſſary Precautions to prevent the Spreading of that fatal Diſtemper.

Berlin, Feb. 19. The Prince of Schafgotſch, Biſhop of Breſlau, ſet out from hence on Friday laſt on his Return to his Dioceſe. 'Tis ſaid the King has given to this Prelate the Poſſeſſions which the Count his Brother held in Sileſia, and which were ſeized by the Crown on Account of his refuſing to let ſome of his Children enter into his Majeſty's Service. The Officers of the ſeveral Regiments of Horſe and Foot in this Garriſon, who are abſent upon Leave, have had Orders ſent them to join their reſpective Regiments forthwith, which makes it conjectured that they will be reviewed towards the End of next Month. We are aſſured, that the King intends going to Sileſia in the Month of April next, in order to review the Troops quartered in that Province; and that two Camps will be formed for that Purpoſe, one in the Neighbourhood of Magdebourg, and the other near Stargard.

Bruſſels, Feb. 23. The Deputies from the States of Namur have delivered to his Serene Highneſs Prince Charles of Lorrain, the Anſwer of the ſaid Province to the Demands lately made by her Imperial Majeſty. The Scheme that was lately propoſed to augment each Regiment of our national Troops with a new Battalion, ſeems to be laid aſide for the preſent, the Recruits that are raiſing in the flat Countries being only to compleat ſeveral of the Regiments that are reduced by Sickneſs and Deſertion.

Paris, Feb. 25. A few Days ago died here M. de la Regniere, in a very advanced Age, and his Poſt of Farmer General has already been conferred on his Son. A Project is on Foot, and 'tis thought will be carried into Execution, for cutting a Canal from Rennes to Dinan, in order to open a Communication between the Rivers of Vilaine and Rance, which will prove of great Service to the Commerce of the Province of Bretagne.

Hague, Feb. 26. The States of Holland and Weſtfrizeland are to begin their Deliberations To-morrow, for which Purpoſe moſt of the Members are already arrived. Yeſterday the Commiſſaries of her Royal Highneſs the Princeſs Governante, and thoſe of the King of Pruſſia, ſet out from hence for Upper and Lower Zwalume, which Places the Commiſſaries for her Royal Highneſs are this Day to take Poſſeſſion of, in her Name, by Virtue of the late Treaty with his Pruſſian Majeſty.

Weſtminſter, March 5.

HIS Majeſty came this Day to the Houſe of Peers, and being in his Royal Robes ſeated on the Throne with the uſual Solemnity, the Honourable Sir Henry Bellenden, Gentleman Uſher of the Black Rod, was ſent with a Meſſage from His Majeſty to the Houſe of Commons, commanding their Attendance in the Houſe of Peers. The Commons being come thither accordingly, His Majeſty was pleaſed to give the Royal Aſſent to,

An Act for puniſhing Mutiny and Deſertion of Officers and Soldiers in the Service of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the Eaſt Indies, and for the Puniſhment of Offences committed in the Eaſt Indies, or at the Iſland of Saint Helena.

An Act for the more effectual preventing of Frauds and Abuſes committed by Perſons employed in the Manufacture of Clocks and Watches.

An Act to repeal a Proviſo in an Act made in the Twentieth Year of his preſent Majeſty's Reign (intituled, An Act for the better adjuſting and more eaſy Recovery of the Wages of certain Servants, and for the better Regulation of ſuch Servants, and of certain Apprentices) which provides

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that the ſaid Act ſhall not extend to the Stanneries in Devon and Cornwall.

An Act for improving and enlarging the Harbour of Leith, and to empower the Truſtees therein mentioned to purchaſe Lands for that Purpoſe; and for erecting Docks and other Conveniencies on the Sides thereof.

An Act for the better enlightening and cleanſing the open Places, Squares, Streets, Lanes, Alleys, Paſſages, and Courts, within the Pariſh of Saint Luke, in the County of Middleſex; and regulating the Nightly Watch and Beadles; and for repairing the Highways within the ſaid Pariſh.

An Act for enlarging the Term and Powers granted by an Act paſſed in the Twenty-firſt Year of the Reign of his preſent Majeſty, for repairing the High Road from Piercebridge to Kirkmerrington in the County of Durham, and from thence to the Turnpike Road at Tudhoe Lane End in the ſaid County, and for making the ſame more effectual.

An Act for amending, widening, and keeping in Repair the Road leading from Union Point near the Town of Uckfield in the County of Suſſex, to Langley Bridge, in the Pariſh of Weſtham in the ſaid County.

An Act for repairing and widening the Road from a certain Intrenchment on Aſkerſwell Hill oppoſite to Chilcomb Farm, through the Town of Bridport to Penn Inn, and from Bridport aforeſaid to the Town of Beamiſter in the County of Dorſet; and alſo the Road from Penn Inn aforeſaid, through the Town of Axminſter, to the Workhouſe at the Eaſt End of the Town of Honiton in the County of Devon.

An Act for enlarging the Term and Powers granted by an Act made in the ninth Year of his preſent Majeſty's Reign, intituled, An Act for repairing and widening the Road leading from Saint Dunſtan's Croſs near the City of Canterbury, to the Water Side at Whitſtable in the County of Kent.

An Act for repairing and widening the Road leading from the Toll Gate in the Pariſh of Kettering through the Town of Wellingborough in the County of Northampton, and through Olney over Sherrington Bridge, to Newport Pagnell in the County of Bucks; and for repairing and widening or rebuilding the ſaid Sherrington Bridge.

An Act for repairing and widening the High Road from a Place called Saint Loyds in the Town of Bedford, through the Pariſhes of Bromham, Oakley, Renwood, Harrowden and Chickley, to the Way Poſt in Sherrington Field, where the ſaid Road joins the High Road from the Town of Olney to the Town of Newport Pagnell; and alſo the High Road from Bromham aforeſaid, through the Pariſhes of Turvey and Colbroyfield, to the Town of Launden, otherwiſe Lavenden, in the Counties of Bedford and Buckingham, and for impoſing Part of the Money ariſing thereby towards repairing, rebuilding or widening Sherrington Bridge, in the Road from the ſaid Way Poſt to the ſaid Town of Newport Pagnell.

An Act to explain, amend, and render more effectual an Act paſſed in the Twenty-ſixth Year of the Reign of his preſent Majeſty, intituled, An Act for repairing ſeveral Roads leading into the City of Glaſgow.

An Act for Repairing and Widening the high Road from Weſtwood Gate, in the Pariſh of Knotting in the County of Bedford, through the Towns of Ruſhden and Higham Ferrers and over Artleborough Bridge to the Turnpike Road in Barton Seagrave-Lane, in the Pariſh of Barton Seagrave in the County of Northampton.

An Act for explaining, amending and rendering more effectual, An Act made in the Twenty-fifth Year of his preſent Majeſty's Reign, for repairing and widening the Road leading from Market Harborough in the County of Leiceſter, through Desborough, Rowell, Kettering, Barton Seagrave and Thrapſton in the County of Northampton, and through Bythorne, Spaldwick and Ellington, to the Pound in the Pariſh of Brampton in the County of Huntingdon.

An Act for repairing and widening the Road from the Borough of Leiceſter to and by the North Side of the Town of Uppingham in the County of Rutland, and to Wansford in the County of Northampton, and from thence to Peterborough in the ſaid County of Northampton.

And to Twelve Private Bills.

Whitehall, March 1, 1754.

Whereas it has been humbly repreſented to the King, That, in the Night between Monday the 28th and Tueſday the 29th of January laſt, the Heads of two Rebels, attainted and executed for High Treaſon, which were placed, by his Majeſty's Order, on the Top of Micklegate Bar, in the City of York, were wilfully, and deſignedly, taken down, and carried away, by Perſon unknown: His Majeſty, for the better diſcovering and bringing to Juſtice, the Perſon, or Perſons, concern'd in ſo illegal, and audacious, a Proceeding, is pleaſed to promiſe his moſt gracious Pardon to any one of them (except the Perſon, or Perſons, who actually took down the Heads of the ſaid Rebels) who ſhall diſcover his, or her, Accomplice, or Accomplices, therein, ſo that he, ſhe, or they, may be apprehended and convicted thereof: And, as a farther Encouragement, the King is graciouſly pleaſed to offer a Reward of Fifty Pounds, to the Perſon, or Perſons, making ſuch Diſcovery as aforeſaid, (except the Perſon, or Perſons, who actually took down the Heads of the ſaid Rebels, as above-mentioned;) to be paid, by the Right Honourable the Lords Commiſſioners of his Majeſty's Treaſury, upon the Conviction of one or more of the Offenders.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

Whitehall, February 26, 1754.

Whereas it has been humbly repreſented to the King, that in the Night between Monday the 11th and Tueſday the 12th inſtant, two Perſons, with Ladders, and one of them being armed with a very long Knife, or Hanger, forcibly broke through the Windows into the Bedchamber of the Dwelling Houſe of James Poulton, (Park Keeper to the Honourable Philip Yorke, Eſq;) at Wroſt, in the County of Bedford; and, after violently aſſaulting and beating the ſaid James Poulton; and alſo, after aſſaulting and ſtriking his Wife, proceeded (with

(with the most dreadful Threats of murdering both of them immediately, if they offered to make any Resistance,) to rifle, and rob, the said James Poulton, in the said House, of Money, Wearing Apparel, and other Things, to the Value of about Thirty Pounds, and, afterwards, made their Escape; and whereas there is Reason to suspect that, besides the two Persons above-mentioned, there might be other Accomplices in the said Housebreaking and Robbery, (tho' they did not appear;) His Majesty, for the better discovering, and bringing to Justice, the Persons concerned in the same, is pleased to promise his most gracious Pardon to any one of them (except the two Persons who actually broke into the said House,) who shall discover his, or her Accomplice or Accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they, may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

And, as a further Encouragement, the Honourable Philip Yorke, Esq; does, hereby, promise a Reward of Sixty Pounds to any Person, or Persons, who shall make Discovery of either, or both, of the Persons, who broke into the House, and committed the Robbery, as above-mentioned, so that they, or either of them, may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

N. B. One of the Persons above-mentioned is about five Feet seven Inches high; and the other is a stout well-made Man, about five Feet nine Inches high.

Whitehall, February 26, 1754.

Whereas it has been humbly represented to the King, That, on Friday the 1st of this Instant February, about One o'Clock in the Morning, a Fire broke out at Swaffham, in the County of Norfolk, at an Oatmeal Office, being the Property of Edward Harvey, of Watton, in the said County, Gentleman, and consumed the same, and also a Stable thereunto adjoining: And whereas on Monday the 18th of this Instant, a Barn, standing in the same Yard where the said Oatmeal Office stood, (being likewise the Property of the said Edward Harvey,) was, about Eight o'Clock in the Evening, maliciously set on Fire, and consumed, by some Person, or Persons, unknown; His Majesty, for the better discovering and bringing to Justice the Person, or Persons, concerned in either, or both of the said Facts, is pleased to promise his most gracious Pardon to any one of them, who shall discover his Accomplice or Accomplices therein, so that he, she, or they, may be apprehended and convicted thereof.

HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

And as a further Encouragement, the said Edward Harvey does, hereby, offer a Reward of Twenty Pounds to any Person, or Persons, making such Discovery as aforesaid; to be paid, by him, upon the Conviction of one or more of the Offenders.

And as a still farther Encouragement, the Minister, Church-wardens, Overseers, and other the Inhabitants of Swaffham aforesaid, do, also, hereby, offer, and promise, to pay the further Sum of Thirty Pounds, to the Person or Persons making such Discovery as abovementioned, upon the Conviction of any one, or more of the Offenders.

General Post Office, March 2, 1754.

Whereas the Post Boy, bringing the Kent Mail to this Office, upon Thursday the 28th of February last, was, between the Hours of Eight and Nine of the Clock in the Evening, attacked and robbed, at a Place called Snipps Hill, about a Mile beyond Sittingborn by three Footpads, one of whom fired a Pistol, seized the Horse which carried the Mail, beat the said Post Boy cruelly, and cut the Mail from the Horse and carried it away.

Two of the Persons who committed this Robbery are described as short Men, dressed like Sailors; and the other a tall Man in a red Coat.

This is therefore to give Notice, That whoever shall apprehend and convict, the Persons, or any of them who committed this Robbery, will be intitled to a Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, over and above the Reward given by Act of Parliament for apprehending of Highwaymen: Or if any Person or Persons, whether Accomplice in the said Robbery, or knowing thereof, do, or shall make Discovery, whereby any one, or more of the Persons who committed the same, may be apprehended and brought to Justice, such Discoverer, or Discoverers will, upon Conviction of any one, or more, of the said Robbers, be intitled to the same Reward of Two Hundred Pounds, and also have his Majesty's most gracious Pardon.

By Command of the Post-Master-General,

Geo. Shelvocke, Secretary.

N. B. This Mail was afterwards found and brought safe to the Office.

East-India-House, February 20, 1754.

The Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies do hereby give Notice;

That the Transfer Books for the said Company's 3 ½ per Cent. Annuities will be shut on Friday the 8th Day of March next, at Two of the Clock, and opened again on Saturday the 13th Day of April following.

That the Transfer Books for the said Company's 3 per Cent. Annuities will be shut on Saturday the 9th Day of March next, at Two of the Clock, and opened again on Saturday the 13th Day of April following.

And that the Dividend Warrants, both for the said 3 and 3 per Cent. Annuities, due on the 5th Day of April next, will be delivered on Friday the 3d Day of May next.

N. B. The Possessors of the Company's stock'd Books and Certificates for East-India Annuities, are desired to bring them in to be made Stock before the Shutting of the Books, as otherwise Warrants for the same Dividends due thereon, cannot be made out.

No Certificates or Permits will be taken in to be made Stock during the Time the Books are shut.

East-India-House, February 20, 1754.

The Court of Directors of the United Company of Merchants of England trading to the East-Indies do hereby give Notice;

That the Transfer Books of the said Company's Stock will be shut on Thursday the 7th Day of March next, at Two of the Clock.

That a Quarterly General Court of the said Company will be held at their House in Leadenhall Street, on Wednesday the 20th Day of March next, at Eleven in the Forenoon.

That the Lists of the Members of the said Company, will be ready to be deliver'd at their said House, on Wednesday the 27th Day of said March.

That a General Court will be held at their said House, on Wednesday the 10th Day of April next, for the Election of Twenty-four Directors of the said Company for the Year ensuing; which will continue from Nine in the Morning until Six in the Afternoon of the same Day, after which no Lists will be taken in.

And that the Transfer Books of the said Company's Stock will be opened on Thursday the 11th Day of said April.

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